

EVELYN NESBIT THAW WAS NOT A FLORODORA GIRL

NEW YORK, July 12.—Florence Evelyn Nesbit-Thaw, the woman in the case of the roof-garden tragedy at Madison Square Monday night—the protegee of the victim and the wife of the murderer—is being mentioned as a member of the now world-famous original "Florodora sextette." The statement that she was one of the six is an error.

While the beautiful little "brother" who is now shouldering a great share of a crushing tragedy did make her first stage bow in the opening night of the "Florodora" production, it was not as one of the famous sextet, but as one of the little Spanish girls who tripped into the stage at the rise of the curtain.

"If there had been six times six girls in the original 'Florodora' sextette," said John C. Fisher, the producer of "Florodora," the number would not be half large enough to account for the girls whom press agents and newspapers call the original six. Every show girl who attained notoriety, enviable or otherwise, is branded a member of the original "Florodora" sextette.

"Nan Patterson was one of these, yet she never saw the original six; Mabel Gilman ditto. As a matter of fact, the six girls were Marie Wilson, Margaret Walker, Vaughn Texsmin, Marjorie Relyea, Agnes Wallum and Daisy Green. Most of them married well, and they are now out of the profession. Not a one of them ever did anything to cause unenviable notoriety.

White Got Her a Job

"As for Evelyn Nesbit, I remember her very well. She was one of the most graceful and beautiful girls on the stage, and secured her position in the 'Florodora' company through the friendship of Stanton White and George W. Lederer, the manager of the show at that time. She was kept out of the sextette, however, by her diminutive size.

"Evelyn's father had died, leaving a rather involved estate, and it was necessary for her a girl of 12 to help her mother. The child's beauty had previously attracted the attention of Philadelphia photographers, for whom she had done considerable posing; and from that work she drifted into the vocation of an artist's model. It was at a gathering of artists, models and theatrical people one night that White formed the acquaintance of Evelyn.

A MISSION OF PEACE

NEW YORK, July 12.—On as friendly and peaceful a mission as a United States man-of-war ever sailed the cruiser Charleston left her anchorage in the lower bay Saturday and a course which will eventually carry her into all the big South American ports on either side of Cape Horn.

Elihu Root, Secretary of State, is quartered in a palatial cabin at the stern of the cruiser, and it will be his home for the next three months while he talks American peace, the Monroe Doctrine and other official matters with the political leaders of South America. The most important appointment which he has made is for the Pan American Congress, and an inspection of the Panama Canal will bring the cruise to a close.

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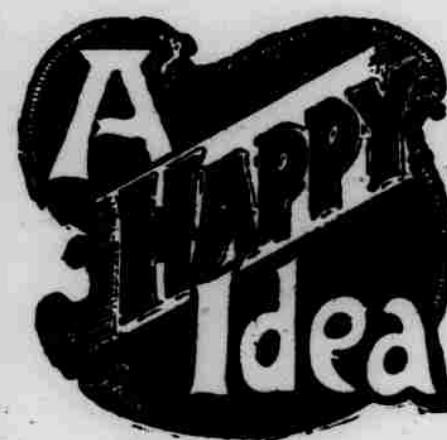
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